(b) if so, what are the facts thereof particularly about the fraudulent scandals to the tune of Rs. 2733 crores in Bharat Coking Coal Limited (BCCL) and Projects and Development of India Limited (PDIL) during the last one decade;

(c) whether Government have made any enquiry into the various issues raised in the above report; if so, the details thereof; and

(d) what action Government have taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA): (a) and (b) In so far as Bharat Coking Coal Limited is concerned, the actual value of the shortage during the 10 year period from 1984-85 to 1993-94 according to Coal India Limited is Rs. 247.40 crores as per the annual audited accounts of the company. As per information received from Department of Fertilizer, the allegations made in the news-item regarding Projects Development of India Limited and Fertilizer Corporation of India could not be substantiated.

(c) and (d) Regarding coal stock shortage in Bharat Coking Coal Limited, action has been initiated on the basis of the report of the Governmental Committee which enquired into these shortages. Regarding adultrated coal allegedly supplied to FCI, Coal India Ltd; have informed that the Police registered a complaint regarding poor quality of coal in a rake diverted to FCI, Sindri unit and a criminal case of fraud was registered against employees of Bastakola area of BCCL.

Shortage of Coal

795. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH:
SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) what was the quantity and value of stock shortage of coal in each year during the period (i) 1983-84 to 1991-92 and (ii) in 1992-93 and 1994-95;

(b) whether there has been underselling of coal dust, coal adulterated with ash, stone and clay during the above period;

(c) if so, what are the details in this regard, what is its quantity and value and what are the names of parties with whom such fraudulent transactions have been done; and

(d) what action has been taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA): (a) The quantity and value of stock shortages during. the year 1983-84 to 1993-94 is given in the Statement. *(See* below). Final figures relating to value of stock etc for the year 1994-95 will be known only after the accounts have been audited.

(b) and (c) Slurry from washeries is being sold and it contains fine coal mixed with ash and other foreign material. Slurries are currently being sold as per the declared grade price in accordance with Government notification in this regard. Earlier these were sold at the prices fixed by open tenders. Transactions were thus not fraudulent.

(d) Does not arise.

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Statement

Stock Shortage beyond 5% as per phsysical measurement and accounted for by the coal companies in the Books of Accounts.

Qty in Lakh tonnes
Value in Cr. Rupees

Year	COAL COMPANY									
	ECL		BCCL		CCL		CCL		SECLTota	
	Qty.	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value
1983-84	3.41	5.86	10.26	22.88	7.00	12.03	—	—	20.67	40.77
1984-85	1.55	4.16	1.68	3.08	0.79	1.85	—	—	4.02	9.09
1985-86	3.14	5.86	—	—	7.41	13.33	—	—	10.55	19.19
1986-87	1.05	3.35	1.27	3.38	1.85	4.25	—	—	4.17	10.98
1987-88	0.44	1.34	4.40	11.98	8.40	13.47	—	—	13.24	26.79
1988-89	7.81	29.26	8.11	17.79	5.95	13.57	—	—	21.87	60.62
1989-90	15.72	31.24	4.22	9.02	—	—	—	—	19.94	40.26
1990-91	0.50	1.30	3.63	11.57	—	—	—	—	4.13	12.87
1991-92	2.43	12.18	34.45	134.20	0.01	0.04	—	—	36.89	146.42
Sub Total	36.05	94.55	68.02	213.90	31.41	58.54	—	—	135.48	366.99
1992-93	1.52	7.25	7.43	30.57	—	—	0.80	5	9.75	42.82
1993-94	5.80	28.04	6.12	25.81	4.08	15.25	—	—	16.00	69.10
Subtotal	7.32	35.29	13.55	56.38	4.08	15.25	0.80	5	25.75	111.92